Monthly Economic Review

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Current Economic Indicators
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Highlights

Labour Force: Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 6.7% in December 2009, down from the 7.4% recorded in November. This is the largest monthly drop in the unemployment rate since September 2006 and the second consecutive monthly decline. At 6.7%, Alberta unemployment was third to Saskatchewan's 4.8% and Manitoba's 5.7%. The decrease in the unemployment rate can be attributed to a 13,900 increase in employment between November and December and a decrease in the number of unemployed people by 14,400. Nationally, the unemployment rate was 8.5% in December 2009. As compared to December 2008, the largest job gains were noted in the accommodation and food services (up 26,000), health care and social assistance (up 22,800) and other services (up 17,500) sectors. Over the same period the largest job losses were noted in manufacturing (down 32,900) and mining and oil and gas extraction (down 27,600). For the year 2009, Alberta's average unemployment rate was 6.6%. In October, there were 74,640 unemployment recipients in Alberta, more than four times the number of recipients in October 2008.

Population: As of October 1, 2009 Alberta's population was 3,703,979, up 2.3% from a year ago. This was the highest provincial growth rate over the one-year period. During the third quarter of 2009, there was a net outflow of 2,535 interprovincial migrants and a net inflow of 10,415 international migrants. This is the first time since 1994 that Alberta has recorded a third quarter loss in interprovincial migrants.

Consumer Spending: Alberta retail sales were 8.9% lower in October than in the same month of 2008. The largest declines were noted for gasoline service stations (down 21.4%), furniture, furnishings and electronics (down 13.4%) and building and outdoor home supplies (down 12.1%). Increases of 4.6% and 3.8%, respectively, were registered for general merchandise stores and clothing and accessories stores. Year-to-date, retail sales fell by 9.7% from the same period in 2008. As compared to December 2008, the number of home re-sales via the Multiple Listing Service in December 2009 rose by 61.6%. This is the largest year-over-year increase since December 1996. For the year 2009, the number of home re-sales via the Multiple Listing Service rose by 2.5% from 2008. In November, Alberta's Consumer Price Index rose 0.8%, as compared to November 2008. Nationally, consumer prices increased by 1.1% over the same period.

Construction: In December 2009, the number of urban housing starts rose by 72.8% from December 2008. For all of 2009, urban starts fell by 30.1%, compared to 2008, due mostly to a 60.2% decline in multiple starts. Single detached starts increased by 5.6% in 2009. In November 2009, the value of building permits rose by 6.5% from the same month in 2008. Residential and commercial permits increased by 50.5% and 37.3%, respectively, while industrial permits fell by 29.5%. In the first eleven months of 2009, the value of Alberta building permits was 22.9% lower than the value recorded for the same period in 2008.

Manufacturing: In October, the value of Alberta's manufacturing shipments decreased by 23.8% from October 2008, to $4.6 billion. The largest loss of 41.2% was registered for metal fabricating followed by a decrease of 39.0% and 37.5% for and machinery and chemicals and chemical products shipments, respectively. Year-to-date, manufacturing shipments decreased by 23.8%, compared to the same period in 2008.

Energy: For all of 2009, the average number of active drilling rigs declined by 3.8% as compared to 2008, to 227.

Exports: The value of Alberta's international merchandise exports was 33.6% lower in November 2009 than it was in the same month of 2008. On a year-to-date basis, exports decreased by 38.8% from the same period in 2008. In terms of value, the largest export losses were noted for the mining and energy industry (down 44.9%), manufacturing (down 24.5%) and primary agriculture (down 12.5%). Nationally, merchandise trade exports decreased by 28.1% over the same period.

Incorporations: In December 2009, the number of business incorporations increased by 3.4% as compared to December 2008. In 2009, the number of business incorporations fell 19.2% from 2008.

CURRENT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (seasonally adjusted)	JANUARY - DECEMBER AVERAGE			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Labour Force (000's)	2,087.9	2,129.1	41.2	2,105.1	2,138.5	33.4	2,110.2	2,138.0	27.8
Calgary	726.2	746.9	20.7	744.3	753.1	8.8	744.4	754.5	10.1
Edmonton	644.3	660.4	16.1	651.3	661.6	10.3	653.0	665.5	12.5
Employed (000's)	2,013.0	1,989.9	-23.1	2,031.6	1,980.0	-51.6	2,022.5	1,993.9	-28.6
Calgary	701.7	699.7	-2.0	716.8	700.2	-16.6	715.4	699.4	-16.0
Edmonton	620.7	618.6	-2.1	627.6	610.4	-17.2	629.4	615.0	-14.4
Employment Rate (%)	72.0	69.5	-2.5	72.1	68.5	-3.6	71.6	68.9	-2.7
Calgary	74.3	72.1	-2.2	75.2	71.4	-3.8	74.9	71.2	-3.7
Edmonton	70.4	68.5	-1.9	70.6	66.9	-3.7	70.7	67.3	-3.4
Unemployment (000's)	74.9	139.2	64.3	73.5	158.5	85.0	87.8	144.1	56.3
Calgary	24.6	47.2	22.6	27.6	52.9	25.3	29.0	55.0	26.0
Edmonton	23.6	41.7	18.1	23.7	51.2	27.5	23.7	50.4	26.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.6	6.5	2.9	3.5	7.4	3.9	4.2	6.7	2.5
Calgary	3.4	6.3	2.9	3.7	7.0	3.3	3.9	7.3	3.4
Edmonton	3.7	6.3	2.6	3.6	7.7	4.1	3.6	7.6	4.0
Participation Rate (%)	74.7	74.3	-0.4	74.7	74.0	-0.7	74.7	73.8	-0.9
Calgary	76.9	77.0	0.1	78.1	76.8	-1.3	78.0	76.8	-1.2
Edmonton	73.1	73.1	0.0	73.3	72.6	-0.7	73.4	72.9	-0.5

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

ADDITIONAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (unadjusted)	JANUARY - DECEMBER AVERAGE			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Male Unemployment Rate (%)	3.5	7.2	3.7	3.3	7.9	4.6	4.4	7.1	2.7
Female Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	5.8	2.1	3.8	6.5	2.7	3.8	5.3	1.5
Youth Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	12.3	4.8	7.6	12.9	5.3	8.2	11.2	3.0
Working Age Population (000's)	2,796.8	2,864.8	68.0	2,818.0	2,891.5	73.5	2,823.7	2,895.3	71.6
Calgary	944.8	970.0	25.2	952.8	980.4	27.6	954.8	982.1	27.3
Edmonton	881.9	902.9	21.0	888.4	911.8	23.4	890.0	913.2	23.2
Employed (000's)	2,013.3	1,988.1	-25.2	2,025.1	1,979.5	-45.6	2,011.2	1,991.1	-20.1
Full-time	1,687.5	1,632.9	-54.6	1,678.5	1,610.3	-68.2	1,654.8	1,612.1	-42.7
Part-time	325.8	355.2	29.4	346.6	369.2	22.6	356.4	378.9	22.5

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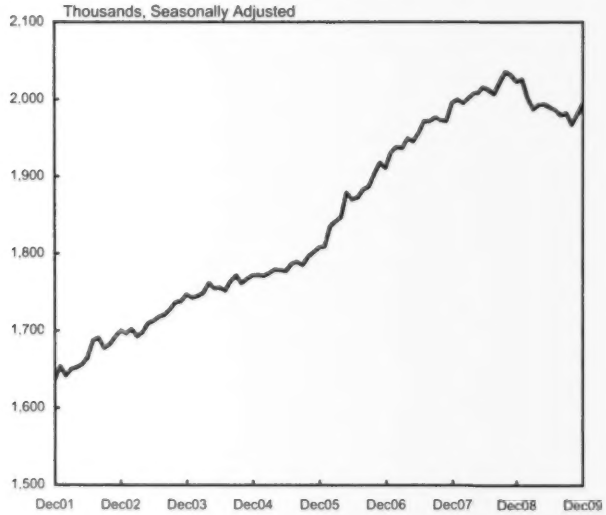
EMPLOYMENT



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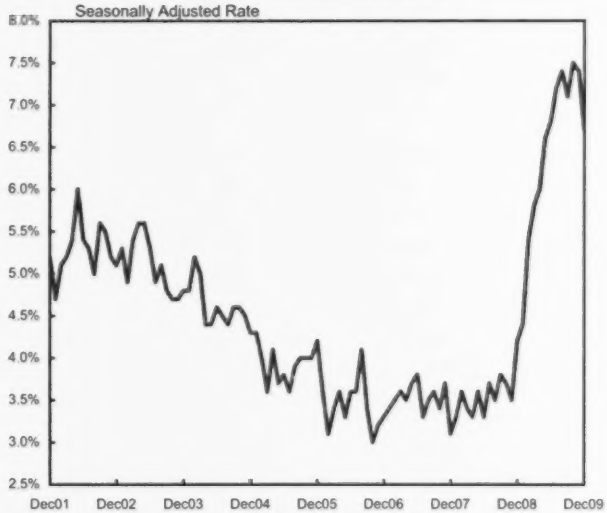


INDUSTRY LABOUR FORCE (unadjusted)	JANUARY - DECEMBER AVERAGE			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Agriculture									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.1	1.8	0.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	61.0	55.3	-5.7	56.4	51.0	-5.4	59.2	52.3	-6.9
Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.1	7.6	4.5	5.0	7.1	2.1	3.9	6.0	2.1
Employed (000's)	145.5	136.3	-9.2	152.7	127.7	-25.0	151.1	123.5	-27.6
Construction									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	9.0	4.8	4.5	6.7	2.2	6.5	10.0	3.5
Employed (000's)	205.3	191.8	-13.5	208.9	203.5	-5.4	197.3	195.4	-1.9
Manufacturing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.4	8.2	5.8	2.0	8.6	6.6	4.3	9.9	5.6
Employed (000's)	144.1	123.1	-21.0	150.1	122.0	-28.1	149.5	116.6	-32.9
Wholesale Trade									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.9	5.0	2.1	1.7	6.5	4.8	3.8	2.7	-1.1
Employed (000's)	87.3	75.7	-11.6	85.1	76.1	-9.0	75.2	81.8	6.6
Retail Trade									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	6.0	2.3	3.3	6.4	3.1	4.8	7.3	2.5
Employed (000's)	229.7	225.8	-3.9	236.7	219.8	-16.9	240.0	227.9	-12.1
Transportation and Warehousing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.1	5.9	3.8	4.6	6.0	1.4	3.7	5.0	1.3
Employed (000's)	102.2	103.3	1.1	101.9	103.5	1.6	103.5	100.2	-3.3
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.4	2.2	0.8	n/a	2.5	n/a	n/a	2.7	n/a
Employed (000's)	111.7	109.7	-2.0	111.3	104.3	-7.0	112.7	105.0	-7.7
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.5	4.9	3.4	n/a	5.9	n/a	1.7	5.3	3.6
Employed (000's)	164.2	151.7	-12.5	170.5	146.9	-23.6	159.9	142.3	-17.6
Business, Building and Other Support Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	7.7	3.6	5.2	7.0	1.8	5.7	8.8	3.1
Employed (000's)	63.9	66.6	2.7	60.1	66.5	6.4	64.8	65.7	0.9
Educational Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.9	3.4	0.5	n/a	1.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	126.8	132.1	5.3	134.9	137.9	3.0	144.6	146.2	1.6
Health Care and Social Assistance									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.4	1.6	0.2	n/a	1.8	n/a	1.5	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	190.2	197.8	7.6	191.0	200.9	9.9	185.4	208.2	22.8
Information, Culture and Recreation									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.8	5.1	1.3	3.8	5.0	1.2	2.3	4.2	1.9
Employed (000's)	71.6	80.0	8.4	70.3	80.0	9.7	73.3	80.1	6.8
Accommodation and Food Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	6.4	0.7	5.6	6.9	1.3	5.9	3.8	-2.1
Employed (000's)	114.0	126.1	12.1	110.5	123.3	12.8	109.6	135.6	26.0
Other Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.2	5.0	2.8	2.2	5.7	3.5	2.6	2.8	0.2
Employed (000's)	91.2	100.1	8.9	87.3	102.2	14.9	87.5	105.0	17.5
Public Administration									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.1	1.8	0.7	1.9	1.6	-0.3	2.7	2.1	-0.6
Employed (000's)	83.5	89.3	5.8	79.3	90.9	11.6	75.5	84.0	8.5

NOTE: "n/a" is reported in instances of insufficient response.

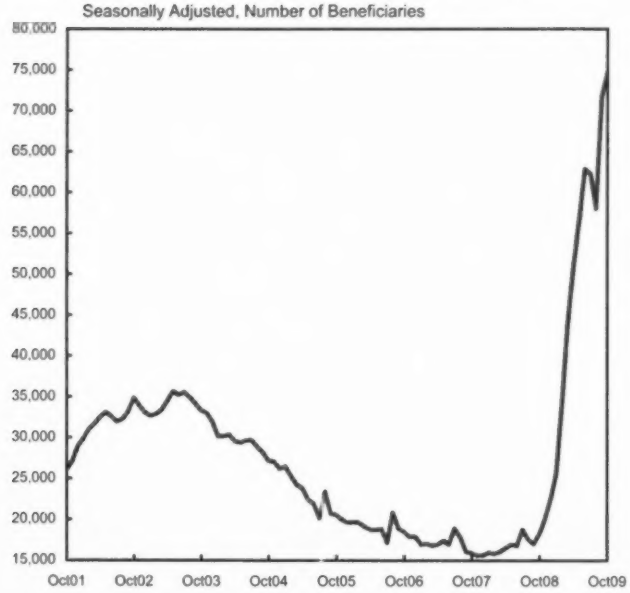
EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	JANUARY - OCTOBER AVERAGE			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Number of Recipients, seasonally adj.	16,978	54,099	218.6	17,060	71,710	320.3	18,240	74,640	309.2

WAGES AND SALARIES ($000,000)	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	86,255	87,659	1.6	9,769	9,608	-1.6	9,854	9,661	-2.0

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS ALL EMPLOYEES	JANUARY - OCTOBER AVERAGE			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
$/week, seasonally adjusted	917.69	949.61	3.5	946.70	952.64	0.6	930.75	953.69	2.5

MIGRATION	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			APRIL - JUNE			JULY - SEPTEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
International									
Immigration	19,003	21,069	10.9	7,196	6,925	-3.8	6,455	8,865	37.3
Emigration	4,540	4,567	0.6	1,232	1,237	0.4	2,347	2,368	0.9
Returning Canadians	3,747	3,747	0.0	935	935	0.0	2,233	2,233	0.0
Temporarily abroad	1,768	1,768	0.0	534	534	0.0	754	754	0.0
Net Non-Permanent Residents	18,830	9,413	-50.0	7,241	2,594	-64.2	7,604	2,439	-67.9
Net international migration	35,272	27,894	-20.9	13,606	8,683	-36.2	13,191	10,415	-21.0
Interprovincial									
In-migration	72,860	71,465	-1.9	24,023	25,693	7.0	30,265	20,790	-31.3
Out-migration	56,856	62,119	9.3	16,808	20,956	24.7	25,338	23,325	-7.9
Net Interprovincial migration	16,004	9,346	-41.6	7,215	4,737	-34.3	4,927	(2,535)	n/a

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE



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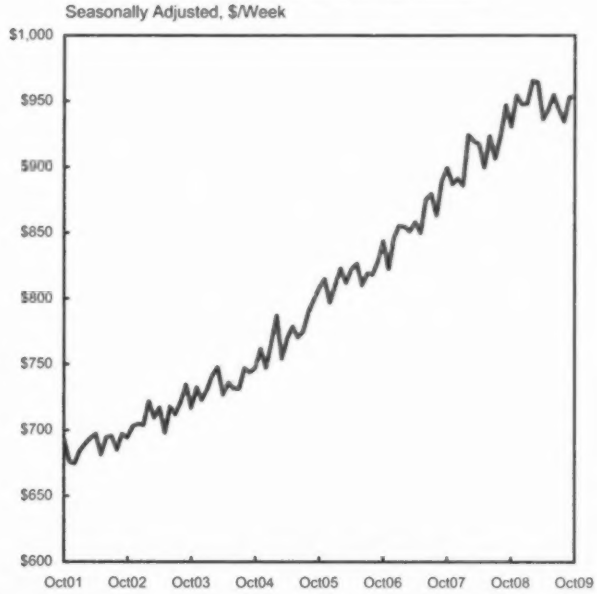


RETAIL TRADE ($000,000)	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	SEPTEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total All Stores, seasonally adjusted	51,406	46,432	-9.7	5,146	4,626	-10.1	5,081	4,631	-8.9
Motor and Recreational Vehicles	13,837	11,765	-15.0	1,288	1,153	-10.5	1,285	1,157	-9.9
Gasoline Service Stations	6,847	5,258	-23.2	733	563	-23.1	688	541	-21.4
Furniture, Furnishings, Electronics	4,338	3,644	-16.0	480	401	-16.3	452	392	-13.4
Building and Outdoor Home Supplies	3,271	2,761	-15.6	350	307	-12.4	320	281	-12.1
Food and Beverage	9,877	10,050	1.7	969	982	1.4	1,043	1,038	-0.4
Pharmacies and Personal Care	2,008	1,920	-4.4	196	191	-2.5	204	190	-6.6
Clothing and Accessories	2,655	2,484	-6.4	287	256	-10.9	280	291	3.8
General Merchandise	5,555	5,595	0.7	561	554	-1.3	595	622	4.6
Miscellaneous Retailers	2,471	2,498	1.1	256	263	2.6	257	253	-1.6

Note: The Total All Stores series is seasonally adjusted; the sales by store type series are not seasonally adjusted.

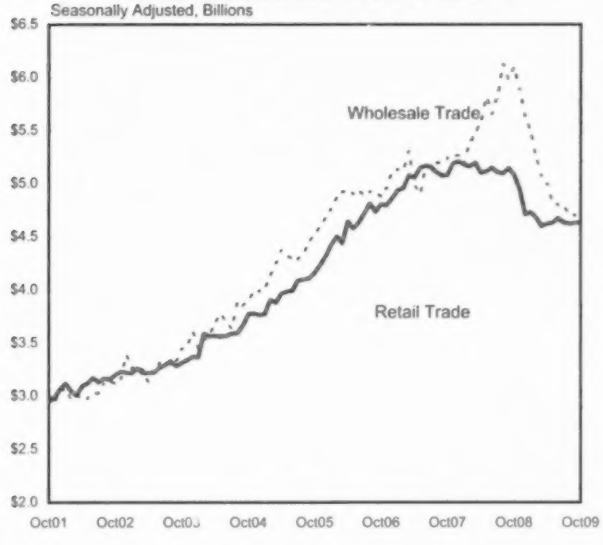
FOOD SERVICES AND DRINKING PLACES RECEIPTS ($000,000)	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	SEPTEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	5,499	5,536	0.7	561	557	-0.8	558	553	-0.9

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES	JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	NOVEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total Number Sold, seasonally adjusted	222,880	171,156	-23.2	19,898	16,572	-16.7	18,233	15,191	-16.7
Total Number Sold, unadjusted	222,956	171,235	-23.2	18,640	16,167	-13.3	17,286	13,601	-21.3
Passenger Vehicles	83,704	58,085	-30.6	6,308	5,215	-17.3	5,661	4,590	-18.9
Trucks	139,252	113,150	-18.7	12,332	10,952	-11.2	11,625	9,011	-22.5

Note: Trucks include minivans, sport-utility vehicles, light and heavy trucks, vans and buses regardless of their intended use. Passenger vehicles also include taxis and rental cars.

WHOLESALE TRADE ($000,000)	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	SEPTEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total All Merchants, seasonally adjusted	57,139	49,258	-13.8	5,985	4,701	-21.5	6,092	4,660	-23.5

RETAIL AND WHOLESALE TRADE



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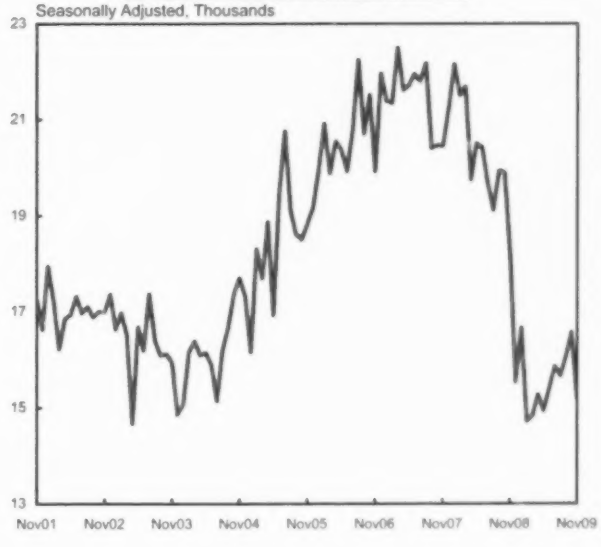

MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE (MLS) HOUSING RESALES	JANUARY - DECEMBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total (number)	56,399	57,786	2.5	2,744	4,154	51.4	1,882	3,042	61.6
Calgary	23,136	24,880	7.5	1,141	1,902	66.7	777	1,374	76.8
Edmonton	17,369	19,139	10.2	891	1,261	41.5	608	948	55.9
Total Value ($000,000)	19,901	19,717	-0.9	928	1,454	56.6	617	1,067	72.9
Calgary	9,376	9,601	2.4	438	763	74.1	282	542	92.3
Edmonton	5,781	6,132	6.1	284	402	41.5	189	303	60.0

HOUSING STARTS (urban)	JANUARY - DECEMBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total	25,395	17,744	-30.1	1,431	2,319	62.1	1,099	1,899	72.8
Single Detached	11,606	12,256	5.6	964	1,514	57.1	762	1,307	71.5
All Others*	13,789	5,488	-60.2	467	703	50.5	337	592	75.7
Calgary	11,438	6,318	-44.8	575	832	44.7	403	657	63.0
Edmonton	6,615	6,317	-4.5	279	938	236.2	324	812	150.6

* Includes: two-family, row, and apartment dwellings

BUILDING PERMITS ($000,000)	JANUARY - NOVEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total Value, seasonally adjusted	12,386.6	9,547.2	-22.9	830.6	1,457.6	75.5	1,045.2	1,112.9	6.5
Total Value, unadjusted	12,465.9	9,810.9	-21.3	861.5	1,525.3	77.1	1,004.8	1,084.8	8.0
Calgary	4,532.8	3,776.7	-16.7	319.5	602.3	88.5	450.8	309.4	-31.4
Edmonton	3,385.0	3,615.0	6.8	276.0	604.8	119.1	284.8	523.6	83.8
Residential	5,880.9	4,861.2	-17.3	438.0	672.9	53.6	400.6	602.7	50.5
Calgary	1,912.8	1,687.0	-11.8	115.4	217.7	88.6	105.5	223.6	111.9
Edmonton	1,588.6	1,906.1	20.0	171.0	283.9	66.0	155.9	229.2	47.1
Industrial	1,176.8	718.4	-39.0	40.3	259.1	543.6	60.6	42.7	-29.5
Calgary	197.4	66.1	-66.5	17.1	19.4	12.9	7.5	3.7	-51.1
Edmonton	309.1	396.8	28.4	11.7	202.6	1630.6	5.0	22.0	342.6
Commercial	3,920.9	2,441.0	-37.7	231.6	244.5	5.6	192.6	264.6	37.3
Calgary	1,720.7	958.5	-44.3	84.4	76.3	-9.5	58.3	49.5	-15.0
Edmonton	1,086.3	951.8	-12.4	88.2	87.7	-0.6	64.1	167.8	161.9
Institutional/Government	1,487.3	1,790.3	20.4	151.6	348.9	130.0	351.1	174.9	-50.2
Calgary	701.9	1,065.1	51.7	102.5	288.9	181.8	279.5	32.6	-88.3
Edmonton	401.0	360.2	-10.2	5.1	30.6	501.8	59.9	104.6	74.5

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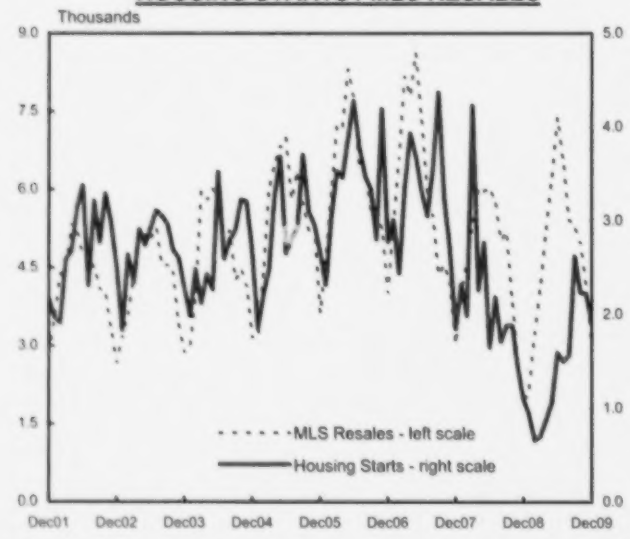

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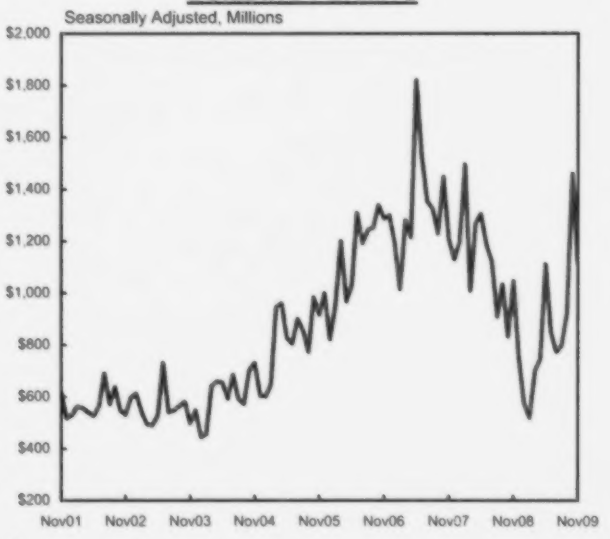

MANUFACTURING (Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture $000,000)	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	59,985.7	45,688.9	-23.8	6,428.7	4,537.9	-29.4	5,984.0	4,562.2	-23.8
Total, unadjusted	60,172.1	45,770.5	-23.9	6,446.3	4,589.9	-28.8	6,179.8	4,643.1	-24.9
Food Products	9,123.5	9,819.4	7.6	972.1	994.4	2.3	971.3	948.6	-2.3
Plastics & Rubber Products	1,261.6	945.4	-25.1	136.8	103.7	-24.2	143.2	112.9	-21.2
Metal Fabricating	4,853.2	3,623.7	-25.3	516.5	364.0	-29.5	558.2	328.3	-41.2
Printing & Publishing	738.9	704.2	-4.7	83.0	73.3	-11.7	83.6	74.1	-11.4
Non-Metallic Mineral Products	2,095.1	1,538.8	-26.6	261.5	207.3	-20.7	269.6	190.2	-29.4
Petroleum & Coal Products	15,010.1	9,896.3	-34.1	1,590.8	1,035.8	-34.9	1,244.5	1,102.4	-11.4
Chemicals & Chemical Products	12,129.3	7,670.2	-36.8	1,261.7	698.9	-44.6	1,193.0	745.9	-37.5
Wood	2,069.0	1,477.7	-28.6	225.3	147.5	-34.5	227.3	149.0	-34.4
Furniture and Fixtures	785.9	656.4	-16.5	82.6	70.1	-15.1	80.3	65.4	-18.5
Paper & Allied	1,570.6	1,406.8	-10.4	147.3	168.0	14.1	163.6	187.4	14.5
Computers & Electronics	788.3	551.1	-30.1	105.8	33.6	-68.2	80.5	65.9	-18.1
Machinery	5,143.1	3,988.2	-22.5	525.0	370.4	-29.5	588.8	359.3	-39.0
Other Manufacturing*	4,603.6	3,492.2	-24.1	537.8	322.8	-40.0	576.0	313.7	-45.5

*Other Manufacturing is derived residually, by deducting the sum of the above industries from the total for all manufacturing (includes Primary Metal, Beverage and Transportation Equipment sectors)

AGRICULTURE Farm Cash Receipts ($000,000)	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			APRIL - JUNE			JULY - SEPTEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total From Operations	7,755.6	7,239.4	-6.7	2,527.6	2,365.3	-6.4	2,474.7	2,076.5	-16.1
Crops	3,623.9	3,450.6	-4.8	1,214.6	1,208.5	-0.5	1,026.0	789.9	-23.0
Wheat, other than Durum	1,247.9	1,120.1	-10.2	518.3	468.8	-9.5	368.6	262.3	-28.8
Durum Wheat	217.8	167.1	-23.3	81.0	80.6	-0.5	41.9	35.4	-15.4
Barley	300.3	230.6	-23.2	110.0	93.3	-15.2	69.0	49.6	-28.1
Canola	1,316.7	1,288.8	-2.1	416.6	451.0	8.3	427.8	315.4	-26.3
Livestock	3,169.6	3,163.8	-0.2	1,020.0	1,060.8	4.0	1,153.0	1,054.9	-8.5
Cattle and Calves	2.2	2.3	2.1	0.7	0.8	8.4	0.8	0.8	-5.8
Hogs	296.4	247.4	-16.5	101.8	80.3	-21.2	107.1	68.1	-36.4
Dairy Products	339.7	343.0	1.0	112.3	116.3	3.6	116.8	113.0	-3.3
Poultry	192.3	187.6	-2.4	63.8	61.2	-4.1	70.4	65.4	-7.1
Direct/Program Payments	962.1	624.9	-35.0	293.0	96.1	-67.2	295.7	231.6	-21.7

Note: Wheat, Durum Wheat and Barley receipts include Canadian Wheat Board payments.

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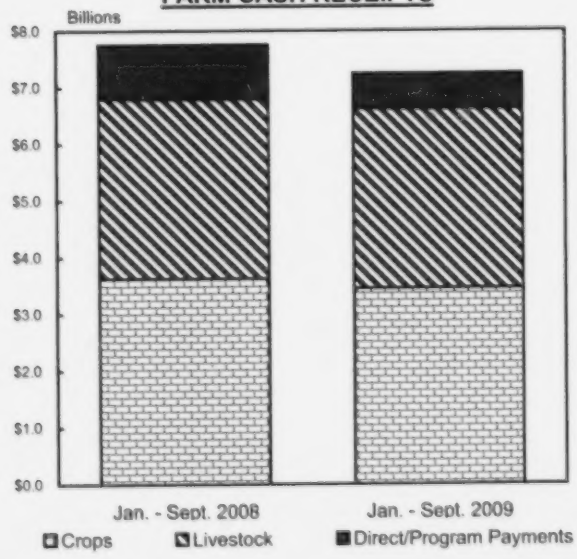

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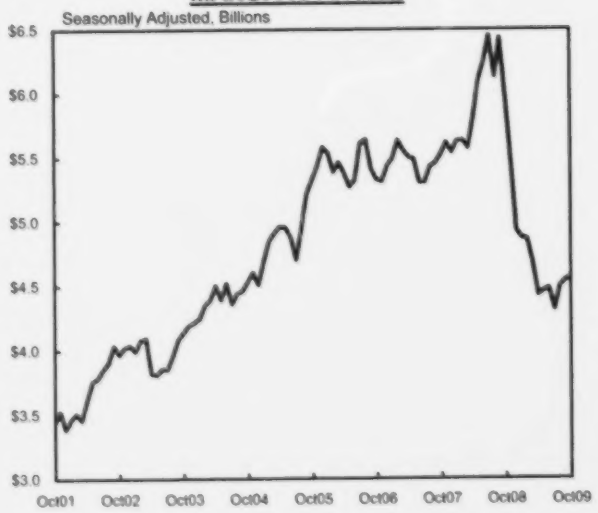

ENERGY PRODUCTION AND DELIVERIES	JANUARY - AUGUST			JULY			AUGUST		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Natural Gas									
Production (million m^3)	106,328	100,035	-5.9	12,999	12,048	-7.3	12,887	11,890	-7.7
Deliveries (million m^3)	87,300	82,861	-5.1	9,905	9,749	-1.6	10,516	9,557	-9.1
Crude Oil and Equivalents*									
Production ('000 m^3)	71,700	73,139	2.0	9,546	9,609	0.7	9,615	9,570	-0.5
Deliveries ('000 m^3)	73,635	75,362	2.3	9,161	10,739	17.2	9,610	10,012	4.2

*Includes Conventional Light/Medium/Heavy, Bitumen, Synthetic, Condensate and Pentanes Plus.

RIG ACTIVITY	JANUARY - DECEMBER AVERAGE			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Rig Counts									
Drilling	236	128	-45.6	237	152	-35.6	236	227	-3.8
Available	659	606	-8.1	618	592	-4.3	620	588	-5.1

ENERGY PRICES	ANNUAL AVERAGES		2008			2009			Annual % Change
	2008	2009	OCT	NOV	DEC	OCT	NOV	DEC	
West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil Price (US$/Barrel)	99.66	61.82	76.72	57.61	42.04	76.08	78.15	74.60	77.5
Natural Gas Reference Price (C$/GJ)	7.47	n/a	6.27	6.25	6.36	3.40	3.77	n/a	-39.7

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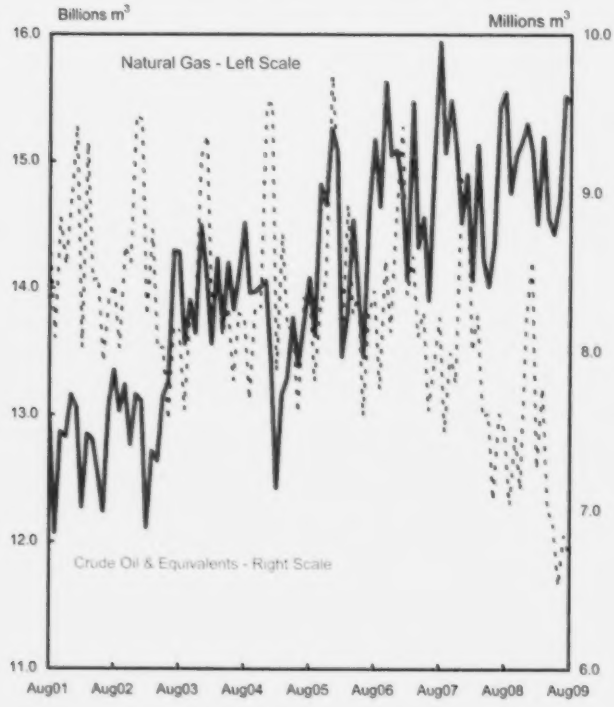

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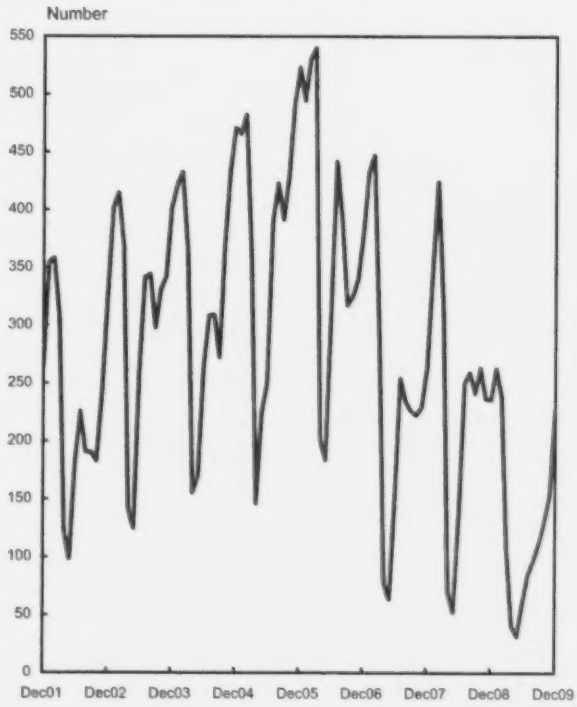

EXPORTS By Industry ($000,000)	JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	NOVEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total - all industries	102,693.5	62,829.7	-38.8	9,812.5	5,895.6	-39.9	8,529.6	5,666.6	-33.6
Primary Agriculture	4,792.4	4,194.8	-12.5	473.3	351.8	-25.7	464.0	342.6	-26.2
Mining & Energy	75,196.3	41,456.7	-44.9	7,063.2	3,998.5	-43.4	5,935.0	3,868.7	-34.8
Crude oil	44,936.8	27,487.9	-38.8	4,743.0	2,821.2	-40.5	3,577.0	2,837.5	-20.7
Natural Gas and Natural Gas Liquids	27,670.6	12,992.0	-53.0	2,106.6	1,109.6	-47.3	2,190.1	943.3	-56.9
Other Mining and Energy	2,589.0	976.7	-62.3	213.6	67.8	-68.3	167.9	87.9	-47.7
Manufacturing	21,827.6	16,483.6	-24.5	2,194.1	1,484.5	-32.3	2,063.5	1,398.6	-32.2
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal Products	8,906.3	6,061.5	-31.9	919.3	585.8	-36.3	849.8	628.1	-26.1
Paper & Wood Products	2,030.0	1,684.6	-17.0	201.4	170.1	-15.5	200.7	170.6	-15.0
Primary & Fabricated Metal Products	2,444.0	1,584.1	-35.2	208.6	162.1	-22.3	172.9	97.1	-43.9
Machinery & Transportation Equipment	3,707.2	3,088.3	-16.7	404.4	218.6	-45.9	374.7	192.7	-48.6
Food, Feed & Beverage	2,919.7	2,840.6	-2.7	296.6	250.6	-15.5	308.7	221.2	-28.3
Other Manufacturing	1,820.5	1,224.6	-32.7	163.9	97.2	-40.7	156.6	89.0	-43.2
Other Exports	877.0	694.7	-20.8	81.9	60.9	-25.6	67.1	56.7	-15.5

EXPORTS Top 10 Countries ($000,000)	JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	OCTOBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change	NOVEMBER 2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total - all countries	102,693.5	62,829.7	-38.8	9,812.5	5,895.6	-39.9	8,529.6	5,666.6	-33.6
United States	90,039.1	52,580.1	-41.6	8,698.6	5,018.8	-42.3	7,415.6	4,818.7	-35.0
China	2,940.5	2,465.9	-16.1	155.1	248.4	60.1	200.2	208.6	4.2
Japan	1,897.5	1,509.4	-20.5	239.2	125.2	-47.6	157.9	166.9	5.7
Mexico	999.5	937.6	-6.2	126.0	82.8	-34.2	126.9	61.5	-51.5
Korea, South	489.5	497.3	1.6	58.0	41.0	-29.3	46.5	45.4	-2.2
Netherlands	317.5	269.2	-15.2	36.8	34.1	-7.3	36.5	36.9	1.1
Australia	393.6	226.8	-42.4	34.5	20.8	-39.8	30.0	21.2	-29.4
Singapore	183.3	201.2	9.8	13.1	13.9	6.1	7.7	13.0	68.0
Saudi Arabia	164.8	197.4	19.7	5.6	14.3	156.6	9.0	24.6	173.2
Russia	190.0	186.9	-1.6	18.7	16.9	-10.0	26.3	16.0	-39.4
All Other Countries	5,078.2	3,757.7	-26.0	426.8	279.4	-34.5	472.9	253.8	-46.3

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ALBERTA EXPORTS BY COUNTRY

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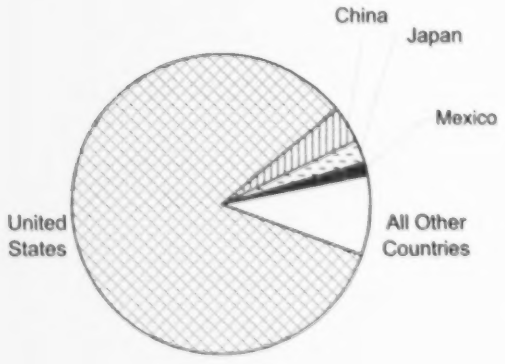

BANKRUPTCIES	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Business (number)	372	341	-8.3	32	35	9.4	35	33	-5.7
Consumer (number)	4,865	8,666	78.1	526	1,163	121.1	632	690	9.2

BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS	JANUARY - DECEMBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Number of Business Incorporations	43,515	35,143	-19.2	2,812	3,083	9.6	2,939	3,038	3.4
Alberta Corporations	40,708	32,752	-19.5	2,609	2,892	10.8	2,756	2,833	2.8
Non-Alberta Corporations	2,807	2,391	-14.8	203	191	-5.9	183	205	12.0

INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS, NON-RESIDENTS ENTERING ALBERTA	JANUARY - OCTOBER			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total (includes same-day)	894,000	839,776	-6.1	96,741	92,151	-4.7	62,652	52,444	-16.3
Total (excludes same-day)	840,307	783,596	-6.7	90,442	84,836	-6.2	59,335	49,465	-16.6
U.S.A. (excludes same-day)	522,255	509,948	-2.4	55,507	56,658	2.1	39,387	34,577	-12.2
United Kingdom	128,733	100,483	-21.9	12,202	10,500	-13.9	6,031	5,112	-15.2
Germany	34,171	34,484	0.9	4,398	3,745	-14.8	1,555	2,087	34.2
Netherlands	15,399	15,873	3.1	1,598	2,020	26.4	515	686	33.2
Mexico	16,278	13,740	-15.6	1,904	764	-59.9	1,640	480	-70.7
Australia	11,312	11,414	0.9	1,563	1,181	-24.4	948	774	-18.4
France	6,661	6,387	-4.1	606	664	9.6	293	304	3.8
Japan	11,638	6,174	-46.9	2,729	1,280	-53.1	2,730	945	-65.4

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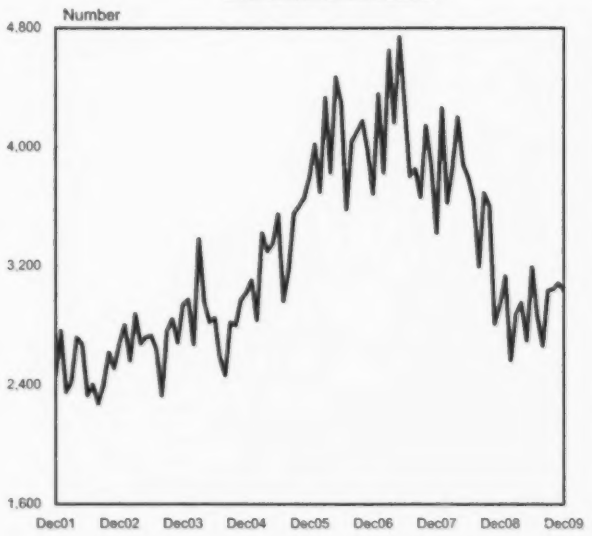

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)	ANNUAL RATES			2008	2009				% Change
	2006	2007	2008	NOV	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	NOV'08 - NOV'09
Alberta									
All Items	112.3	117.9	121.6	121.6	122.0	121.5	121.6	122.6	0.8
Food	107.8	111.4	115.0	118.6	120.8	119.2	119.5	120.4	1.5
Shelter	124.8	140.0	151.1	151.6	147.4	145.2	145.4	147.9	-2.4
Energy	142.7	153.0	172.3	148.7	143.9	136.2	133.1	144.5	-2.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	103.0	104.3	104.8	106.0	107.7	108.4	109.5	109.7	3.5
Transportation	117.1	119.5	121.6	116.8	117.0	115.8	115.3	117.0	0.2
Recreation, Education & Reading	99.0	100.7	100.4	103.6	106.7	107.4	106.5	105.9	2.2
All Items, excl. Food and Energy	110.3	115.8	118.2	119.5	119.9	120.3	120.7	120.7	1.0
Edmonton	112.0	117.4	121.4	121.4	122.1	121.7	121.8	122.7	1.1
Calgary	112.3	118.0	121.8	122.0	122.1	121.6	121.9	122.7	0.6

EXCHANGE RATES (in $Cdn)	ANNUAL RATES			2008	2009				% Change
	2007	2008	2009	DEC	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	DEC'08 - DEC'09
United States	1.0740	1.0671	1.1415	1.2345	1.0818	1.0549	1.0596	1.0544	17.1
Japan	0.0091	0.0104	0.0122	0.0135	0.0119	0.0117	0.0119	0.0117	15.0
European Monetary Union (EURO)	1.4690	1.5603	1.5853	1.6635	1.5764	1.5632	1.5799	1.5380	8.2
United Kingdom	2.1475	1.9605	1.7208	1.8343	1.7655	1.7099	1.7580	1.7118	7.2

INTEREST RATES (Prime Rates)	ANNUAL RATES			2008	2009				% Change
	2007	2008	2009	DEC	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	DEC'08 - DEC'09
Canada	6.10	4.73	2.40	3.50	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	-1.25
United States	8.00	4.94	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.00

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, ALBERTA
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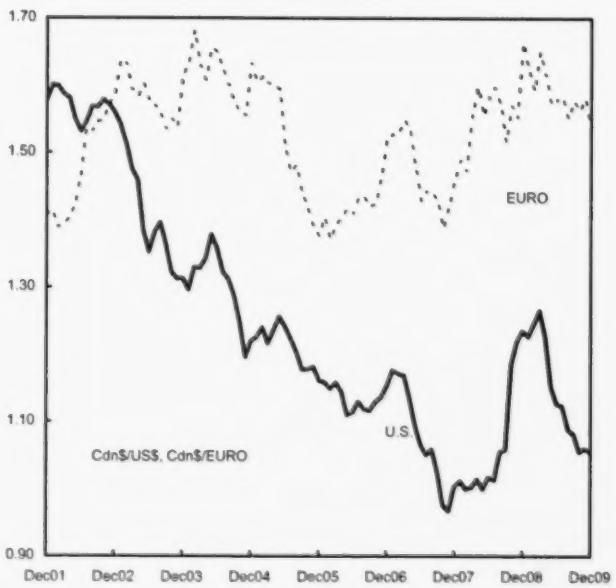

INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
POPULATION ('000s)											
OCTOBER 1, 2008	508	140	937	748	7,777	12,986	1,209	1,019	3,622	4,408	33,463
OCTOBER 1, 2009	510	141	940	750	7,857	13,119	1,226	1,035	3,704	4,480	33,873
Percent Change	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.6	2.3	1.6	1.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE* (%)											
DECEMBER 2008	13.7	11.7	8.2	8.6	7.3	7.2	4.3	4.2	4.2	5.3	6.6
DECEMBER 2009	15.7	10.7	9.6	8.9	8.4	9.3	5.7	4.8	6.7	8.4	8.5
EMPLOYED* ('000s)											
DECEMBER 2008	218	69	454	367	3,884	6,665	609	520	2,023	2,303	17,111
DECEMBER 2009	217	71	452	364	3,858	6,524	604	522	1,994	2,266	16,871
Percent Change	-0.5	2.9	-0.4	-0.8	-0.7	-2.1	-0.8	0.4	-1.4	-1.6	-1.4
EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE* (Average Number of Beneficiaries)											
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	35,480	7,798	27,393	29,819	158,510	138,635	10,424	8,379	16,978	41,302	477,283
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2009	41,838	8,663	33,193	35,530	200,954	249,794	15,016	13,064	54,099	85,394	742,632
Percent Change	17.9	11.1	21.2	19.2	26.8	80.2	44.1	55.9	218.6	106.8	55.6

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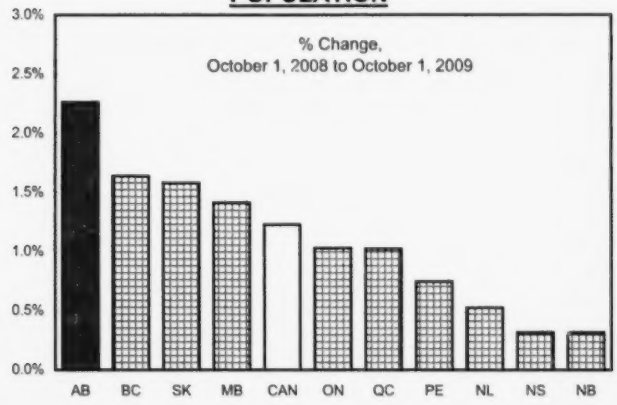

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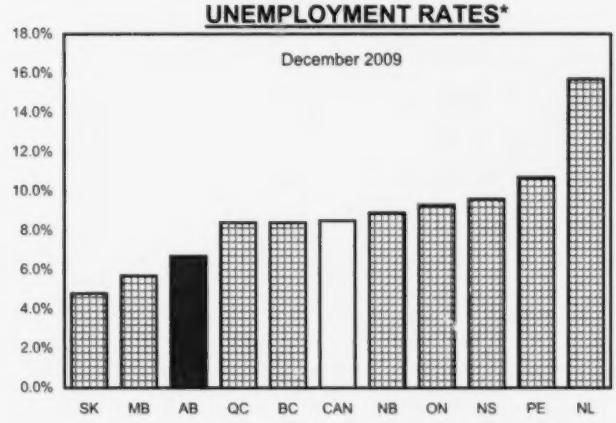

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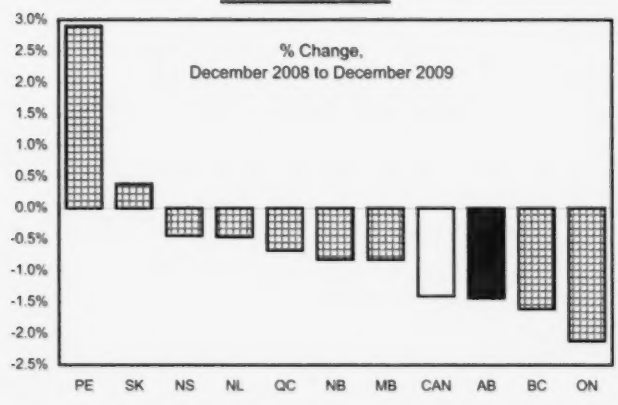

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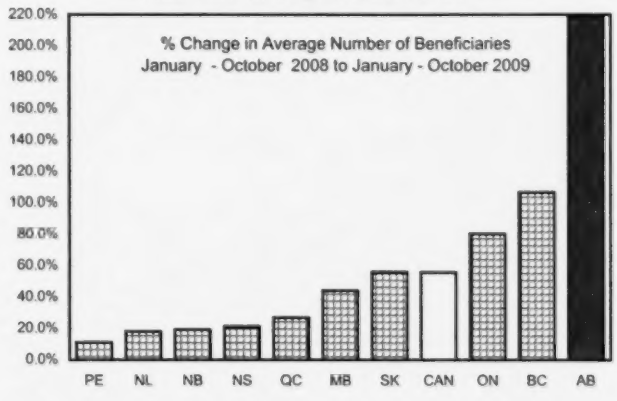

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
WAGES AND SALARIES* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2008	5,938	1,590	11,858	9,498	104,893	217,633	16,602	14,403	86,255	67,983	539,619
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2009	6,170	1,664	12,045	9,673	106,224	214,931	16,931	14,894	87,659	66,788	540,019
Percent Change	3.9	4.7	1.6	1.8	1.3	-1.2	2.0	3.4	1.6	-1.8	0.1
RETAIL TRADE* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	5,902	1,439	10,187	8,275	79,820	127,477	12,559	12,032	51,406	47,754	358,148
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2009	6,011	1,422	10,062	8,172	78,262	122,568	12,304	11,684	46,432	44,400	342,593
Percent Change	1.8	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-2.0	-3.9	-2.0	-2.9	-9.7	-7.0	-4.3
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES* (Number)											
JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2008	29,374	5,104	48,954	36,840	404,407	554,277	44,511	46,075	222,880	170,608	1,563,030
JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2009	26,109	4,782	43,508	32,325	361,133	496,754	40,467	41,523	171,156	139,808	1,357,565
Percent Change	-11.1	-6.3	-11.1	-12.3	-10.7	-10.4	-9.1	-9.9	-23.2	-18.1	-13.1
WHOLESALE TRADE* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	2,613	391	5,910	4,461	83,451	217,732	11,493	17,124	57,139	44,249	445,273
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2009	2,842	376	5,837	4,514	79,443	200,132	11,019	13,533	49,258	40,367	407,949
Percent Change	8.8	-3.8	-1.2	1.2	-4.8	-8.1	-4.1	-21.0	-13.8	-8.8	-8.4

Note: New Motor Vehicle Sales for British Columbia include automobile sales for the Canadian Territories.

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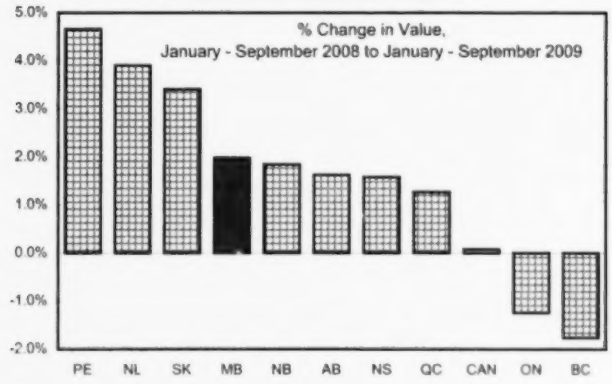

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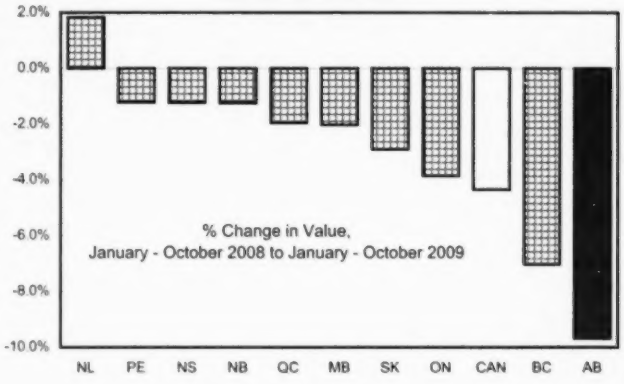

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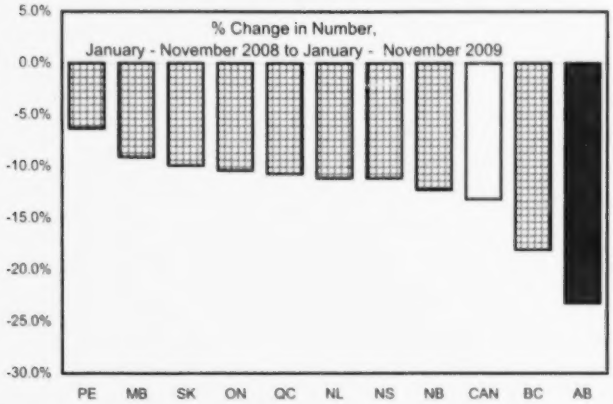

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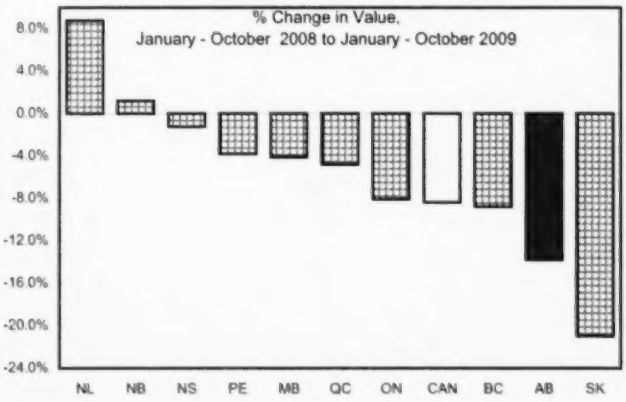

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
URBAN HOUSING STARTS (Number)											
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2008	2,229	495	3,327	3,140	41,554	71,923	3,795	4,653	25,395	30,857	187,368
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2009	2,022	693	2,787	2,620	37,006	47,940	2,789	2,936	17,744	13,817	130,354
Percent Change	-9.3	40.0	-16.2	-16.6	-10.9	-33.3	-26.5	-36.9	-30.1	-55.2	-30.4
BUILDING PERMITS* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2008	720	201	1,224	1,019	12,609	23,644	1,517	2,047	12,387	10,423	65,790
JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2009	725	165	1,255	1,051	11,687	19,607	1,463	1,743	9,547	7,106	54,349
Percent Change	0.8	-17.6	2.5	3.2	-7.3	-17.1	-3.5	-14.9	-22.9	-31.8	-17.4
MANUFACTURING* (value of shipments of goods of own manufacture, $000,000)											
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	5,834	1,177	9,106	15,748	125,848	232,407	13,736	10,332	59,986	33,568	507,810
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2009	3,752	1,112	7,561	11,538	105,967	184,038	12,283	9,112	45,689	27,170	408,267
Percent Change	-35.7	-5.5	-17.0	-26.7	-15.8	-20.8	-10.6	-11.8	-23.8	-19.1	-19.6
AGRICULTURE (Farm Cash Receipts from farming operations $000,000)											
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2008	83	279	350	346	5,452	7,423	3,624	7,045	7,756	1,818	34,176
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2009	79	298	334	370	5,508	6,768	3,623	6,746	7,239	1,793	32,758
Percent Change	-4.5	6.8	-4.6	6.9	1.0	-8.8	0.0	-4.3	-6.7	-1.4	-4.2

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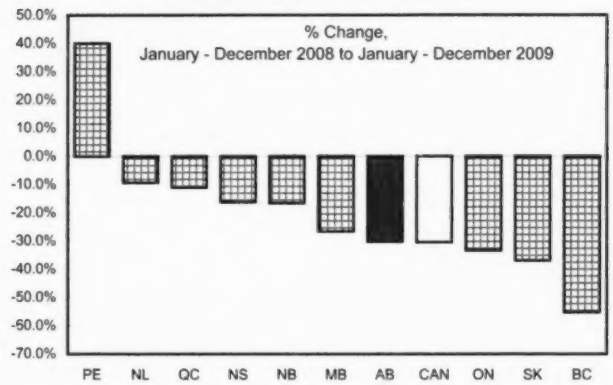

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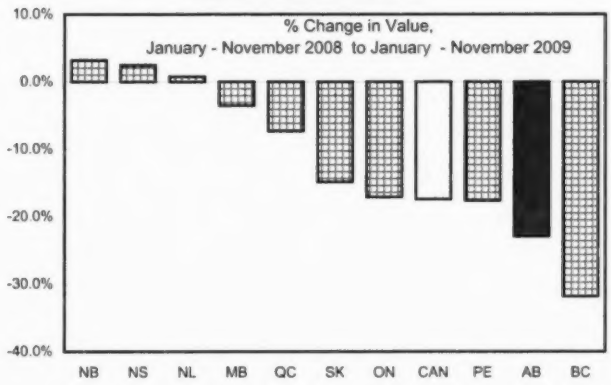

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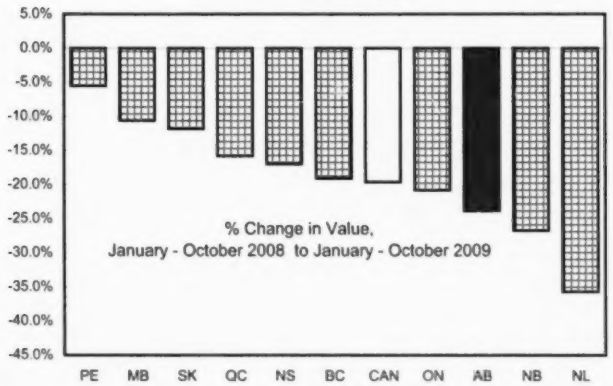

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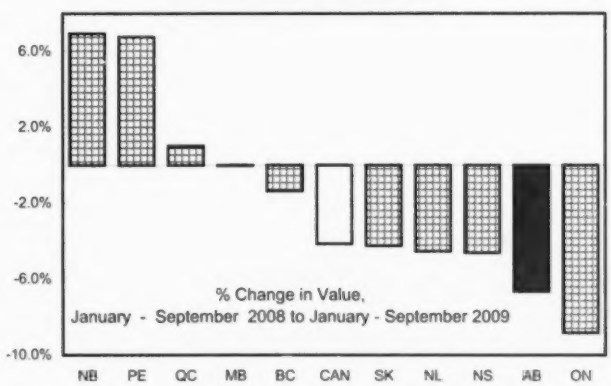

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
EXPORTS ($000,000)											
JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2008	13,925	773	5,202	12,113	63,670	152,166	11,964	27,589	102,693	30,709	423,245
JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2009	7,833	772	3,799	8,973	51,411	114,868	9,830	19,748	62,830	22,910	304,271
Percent Change	-43.7	-0.1	-27.0	-25.9	-19.3	-24.5	-17.8	-28.4	-38.8	-25.4	-28.1
CONSUMER BANKRUPTCIES (Number)											
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	1,872	362	3,361	2,221	23,565	29,537	1,675	1,230	4,865	5,895	74,626
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2009	2,211	420	3,918	2,827	29,380	39,892	2,080	1,549	8,666	9,134	100,155
Percent Change	18.1	16.0	16.6	27.3	24.7	35.1	24.2	25.9	78.1	54.9	34.2
BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES (Number)											
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008	33	12	144	172	1,778	2,071	86	124	372	383	5,180
JANUARY - OCTOBER 2009	30	23	117	87	1,609	1,913	54	141	341	341	4,656
Percent Change	-9.1	91.7	-18.8	-49.4	-9.5	-7.6	-37.2	13.7	-8.3	-11.0	-10.1
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)											
NOVEMBER 2008	114.3	116.9	115.0	112.6	112.4	113.5	113.8	116.7	121.6	112.3	114.1
NOVEMBER 2009	115.6	119.1	117.0	115.1	114.3	114.6	114.7	117.6	122.6	112.4	115.2
Percent Change	1.1	1.9	1.7	2.2	1.7	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.1	1.0

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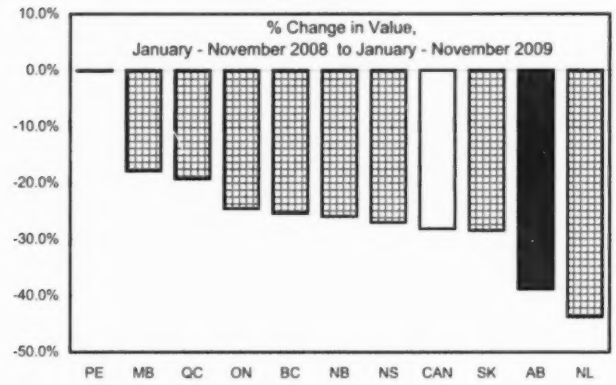

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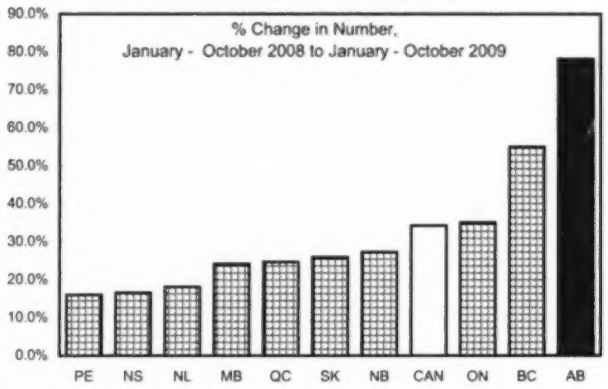

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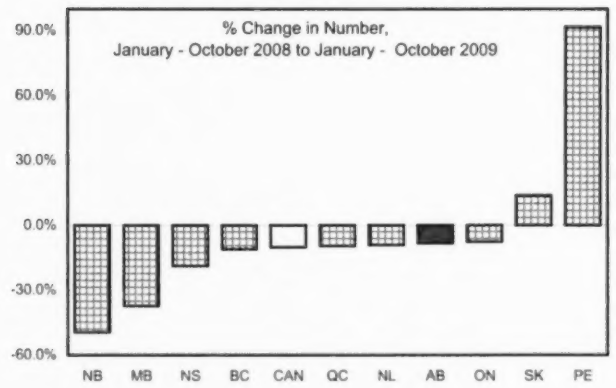

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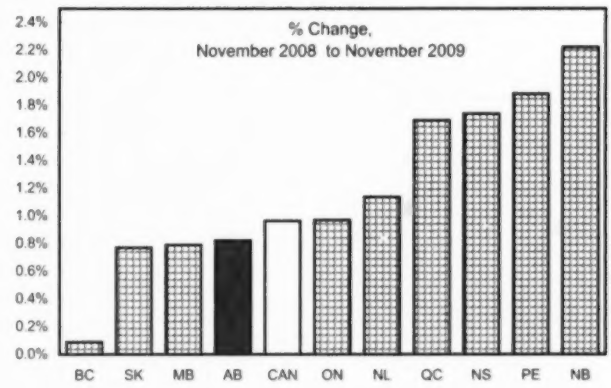

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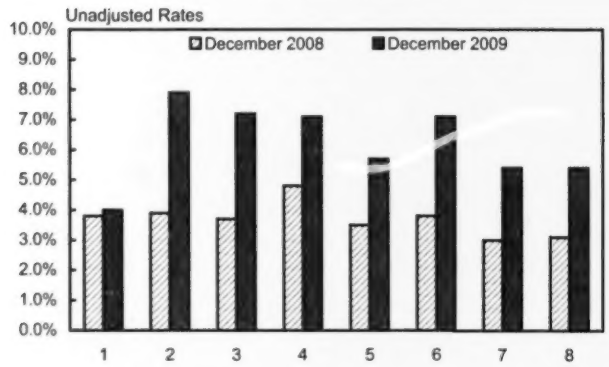
REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LABOUR FORCE, ALBERTA REGIONS (unadjusted, 3-month moving average)	December 2008	December 2009
Labour Force (000s)		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	73.2	74.1
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	139.6	143.5
3) Edmonton Region	672.5	686.7
4) Red Deer Region	113.0	109.1
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	54.3	53.0
6) Calgary Region	796.9	801.4
7) Camrose - Drumheller	115.0	111.3
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	137.6	145.6
Employed (000s)		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	70.4	71.1
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	134.2	132.1
3) Edmonton Region	647.7	637.0
4) Red Deer Region	107.6	101.4
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	52.3	50.0
6) Calgary Region	766.9	744.5
7) Camrose - Drumheller	111.4	105.3
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	133.3	137.7
Unemployment Rate		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	3.8%	4.0%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	3.9%	7.9%
3) Edmonton Region	3.7%	7.2%
4) Red Deer Region	4.8%	7.1%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	3.5%	5.7%
6) Calgary Region	3.8%	7.1%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	3.0%	5.4%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	3.1%	5.4%
Participation Rate		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	78.4%	77.4%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	74.4%	74.7%
3) Edmonton Region	72.7%	72.4%
4) Red Deer Region	76.5%	71.6%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	78.9%	75.6%
6) Calgary Region	77.3%	75.5%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	74.0%	70.9%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	65.6%	68.2%

Population (July 1, 2008)	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	129,767
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	257,772
3) Edmonton Region	1,168,886
4) Red Deer Region	190,892
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	89,037
6) Calgary Region	1,271,960
7) Camrose - Drumheller	201,089
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	275,739
5-year Population Growth (2003-2008)	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	14.2%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	10.0%
3) Edmonton Region	12.2%
4) Red Deer Region	15.5%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	7.0%
6) Calgary Region	15.0%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	6.5%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	10.1%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ALBERTA REGIONS



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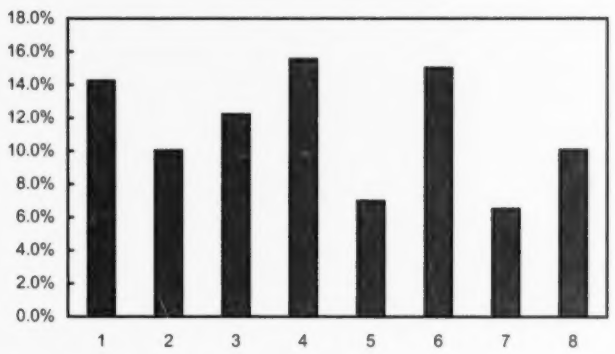


REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

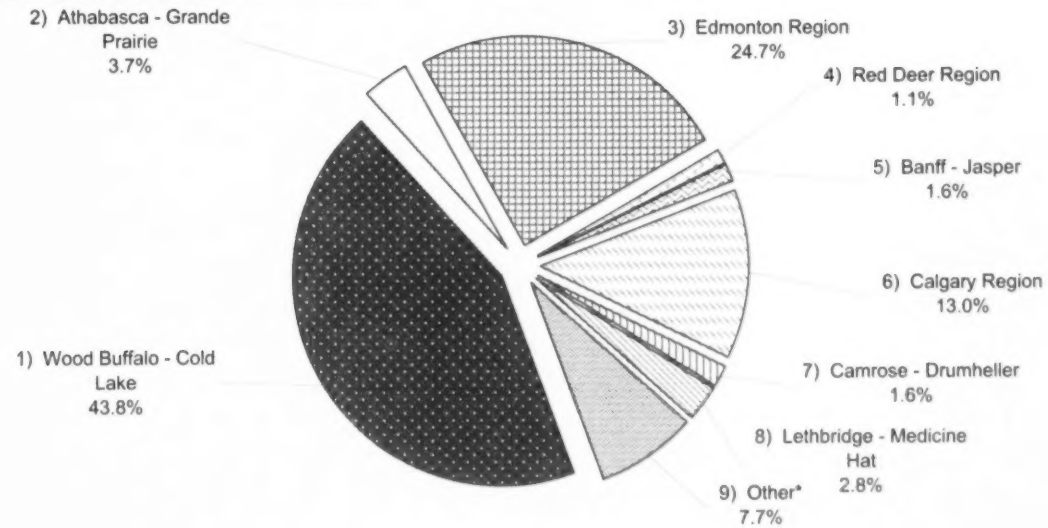
The *Inventory of Major Alberta Projects* tracks projects valued at $5 million or greater that are planned, underway, or have been recently completed.

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	NOVEMBER	
Investment ($ 000,000)	2008	2009
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	90,615.9	105,169.3
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	11,908.1	8,807.8
3) Edmonton Region	80,194.1	59,175.5
4) Red Deer Region	2,982.5	2,591.4
5) Banff - Jasper	6,599.9	3,806.2
6) Calgary Region	36,520.3	31,099.0
7) Camrose - Drumheller	5,696.8	3,932.6
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	4,263.0	6,776.9
9) Other*	40,519.4	18,519.3
Total	279,300.0	239,878.0

BUILDING PERMITS ($000,000)	JANUARY - NOVEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	1,095.2	288.4	-73.7	11.8	89.1	653.0	80.1	63.0	-21.3
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	862.6	654.9	-24.1	68.0	71.5	5.2	56.1	39.9	-28.9
3) Edmonton Region	3,455.7	3,672.1	6.3	278.5	612.0	119.7	285.0	524.4	84.0
4) Red Deer Region	538.7	306.9	-43.0	25.7	37.6	46.3	40.7	41.3	1.5
5) Banff - Jasper	255.1	60.2	-76.4	4.0	6.3	57.2	2.5	4.3	69.9
6) Calgary Region	4,940.6	3,972.1	-19.6	362.2	630.9	74.2	471.6	334.2	-29.1
7) Camrose - Drumheller	684.3	417.0	-39.1	61.2	43.9	-28.3	37.9	42.4	11.9
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	633.8	439.4	-30.7	50.1	34.2	-31.7	31.0	35.4	14.2
Total	12,466.0	9,810.9	-21.3	861.5	1,525.3	77.1	1,004.8	1,084.8	8.0

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (NOVEMBER 2009)

Total: $240 billion


2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie 3.7%
3) Edmonton Region 24.7%
4) Red Deer Region 1.1%
5) Banff - Jasper 1.6%
6) Calgary Region 13.0%
7) Camrose - Drumheller 1.6%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat 2.8%
9) Other* 7.7%
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake 43.8%

Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	Unemployment Rate* (%)	Employed* (000's)	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries*	Wages and Salaries* ($000,000)	Average Weekly Earnings* ($)	Retail Trade* ($000,000)	Food/Drinking Places Receipts ($000,000)	New Motor Vehicle Sales* (#)	Wholesale Trade* ($000,000)
1999	5.7	1,544	35,962	49,264	644.01	29,454	3,655	160,838	29,717
2000	5.0	1,584	27,391	54,624	663.00	31,738	4,035	175,545	33,255
2001	4.6	1,631	25,559	61,355	676.07	34,560	4,471	187,862	35,571
2002	5.3	1,671	32,489	63,400	693.35	37,663	4,610	204,805	36,987
2003	5.1	1,717	33,931	66,266	717.26	39,318	4,727	194,451	39,967
2004	4.6	1,758	28,869	72,707	741.06	43,372	5,030	196,153	44,966
2005	3.9	1,785	22,378	82,878	783.90	48,493	5,450	222,361	52,266
Jan06	3.6	1,809	19,690	7,486	810.64	4,424	491	19,953	4,756
Feb06	3.1	1,835	19,630	7,593	822.55	4,500	486	20,906	4,862
Mar06	3.4	1,842	19,160	7,676	811.93	4,436	490	19,884	4,918
Apr06	3.6	1,847	18,760	7,791	822.06	4,644	493	20,541	4,933
May06	3.3	1,879	18,740	7,859	826.06	4,577	498	20,371	4,901
Jun06	3.6	1,870	18,840	7,940	809.99	4,634	496	19,927	4,935
Jul06	3.6	1,873	17,180	8,028	818.97	4,720	503	20,802	4,889
Aug06	4.1	1,883	20,830	8,097	818.42	4,812	504	22,246	4,924
Sep06	3.4	1,887	18,890	8,165	827.90	4,734	513	20,704	4,918
Oct06	3.0	1,903	18,460	8,233	843.42	4,805	514	21,515	4,876
Nov06	3.2	1,918	17,910	8,358	822.48	4,794	521	19,924	4,955
Dec06	3.3	1,911	17,920	8,453	845.74	4,863	544	21,957	5,109
Avg./Sum	3.4	1,871	18,834	95,678	823.35	55,942	6,051	248,730	58,977
Jan07	3.4	1,931	16,960	8,559	855.18	4,938	535	21,397	5,134
Feb07	3.5	1,938	17,020	8,602	854.35	4,959	523	21,349	5,135
Mar07	3.6	1,936	16,810	8,645	851.10	5,078	549	22,496	5,302
Apr07	3.5	1,949	16,950	8,692	857.90	5,054	528	21,618	4,981
May07	3.7	1,945	17,390	8,745	850.02	5,147	522	21,715	4,903
Jun07	3.8	1,956	16,980	8,877	875.04	5,168	527	21,953	5,141
Jul07	3.3	1,971	18,890	8,936	879.13	5,157	528	21,804	5,179
Aug07	3.5	1,971	17,850	8,965	863.20	5,104	534	22,179	5,194
Sep07	3.6	1,976	16,100	9,047	889.66	5,075	545	20,408	5,199
Oct07	3.4	1,972	15,860	9,136	898.93	5,080	546	20,466	5,240
Nov07	3.7	1,972	15,610	9,193	887.01	5,189	539	20,453	5,266
Dec07	3.1	1,995	15,640	9,257	891.19	5,209	533	21,212	5,266
Avg./Sum	3.5	1,959	16,838	106,654	871.06	61,156	6,410	257,050	61,939
Jan08	3.3	1,999	15,970	9,332	885.77	5,178	529	22,154	5,196
Feb08	3.6	1,995	15,820	9,415	924.01	5,160	531	21,510	5,382
Mar08	3.4	2,001	16,060	9,492	919.75	5,195	538	21,684	5,476
Apr08	3.3	2,007	16,520	9,521	917.31	5,102	548	19,745	5,589
May08	3.6	2,008	16,950	9,556	899.57	5,113	551	20,508	5,811
Jun08	3.3	2,016	16,800	9,650	923.07	5,149	565	20,419	5,659
Jul08	3.7	2,012	18,770	9,666	906.46	5,106	557	19,679	5,826
Aug08	3.5	2,007	17,590	9,769	923.47	5,094	560	19,115	6,124
Sep09	3.8	2,022	17,060	9,854	946.70	5,144	561	19,935	5,985
Oct08	3.7	2,035	18,240	9,878	930.75	5,081	558	19,898	6,092
Nov08	3.5	2,032	20,110	9,914	954.05	4,943	557	18,233	5,887
Dec08	4.2	2,023	22,530	9,928	947.61	4,708	540	15,533	5,638
Avg./Sum	3.6	2,013	17,702	115,975	923.21	60,975	6,596	238,413	68,664
Jan09	4.4	2,026	25,680	**9,838**	947.96	4,730	550	16,666	5,494
Feb09	5.4	2,002	34,180	**9,809**	965.26	4,677	553	14,714	5,240
Mar09	5.8	1,987	44,010	**9,782**	964.08	4,597	550	14,830	5,070
Apr09	6.0	1,993	50,940	**9,734**	936.30	4,620	549	15,270	4,994
May09	6.6	1,994	56,630	**9,794**	943.78	4,628	556	14,939	4,818
Jun09	6.8	1,990	62,860	**9,740**	954.57	4,672	555	15,394	4,797
Jul09	7.2	1,986	62,310	**9,693**	943.38	**4,629**	**560**	15,864	**4,778**
Aug09	7.4	1,979	**58,030**	**9,608**	934.48	**4,621**	**553**	**15,660**	**4,707**
Sep09	7.1	1,982	**71,710**	**9,661**	**952.64**	**4,626**	**557**	**16,056**	**4,701**
Oct09	7.5	1,967	**74,640**		**953.69**	**4,631**	**553**	**16,572**	**4,660**
Nov09	7.4	1,980						**15,191**	
Dec09	**6.7**	**1,993**							
Avg./Sum	**6.5**	**1,990**							

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	MLS Housing Resales (#)	Housing Starts (#, urban)	Building Permits ($000,000)			Manufacturing Shipments* ($000,000)	Energy Production		Rigs Drilling (#)
			Alberta	Calgary	Edmonton		Oil/Equiv. (Tsds m^3)	Gas (Mlns m^3)	
1998	43,383	21,725	5,552	2,486	1,167	32,840	94,676	172,644	218
1999	42,684	20,216	4,802	1,917	1,124	37,096	89,066	175,279	210
2000	43,311	21,506	5,296	2,287	1,249	44,430	89,136	176,146	296
2001	48,989	24,457	5,912	2,309	1,462	45,480	89,365	174,094	298
2002	51,042	32,729	6,847	2,714	1,797	45,404	89,885	170,828	231
2003	51,334	32,066	6,667	2,819	1,767	48,072	95,311	166,623	314
2004	57,460	32,188	7,327	2,857	2,028	53,299	101,007	167,676	331
2005	65,866	34,301	10,202	3,921	2,904	60,435	98,879	168,327	381
Jan06	4,686	2,318	644	254	209	5,536	9,260	14,952	495
Feb06	5,933	3,045	797	337	218	5,387	7,967	13,554	531
Mar06	7,189	3,526	1,248	594	281	5,460	8,231	14,653	540
Apr06	7,182	3,463	1,014	396	270	5,378	8,828	13,804	201
May06	8,300	3,880	1,189	412	309	5,272	8,397	13,958	184
Jun06	7,786	4,276	1,429	458	320	5,322	7,966	13,002	314
Jul06	6,407	3,796	1,209	496	251	5,608	8,911	13,805	442
Aug06	6,378	3,475	1,334	516	367	5,637	9,338	13,972	391
Sep06	5,624	3,338	1,242	564	312	5,413	8,917	13,209	318
Oct06	5,583	2,801	1,395	516	355	5,331	9,696	14,218	325
Nov06	5,252	4,189	1,269	495	390	5,312	9,239	13,660	340
Dec06	4,030	2,775	1,105	442	257	5,435	9,270	14,599	380
Avg./Sum	74,350	40,882	13,876	5,480	3,541	65,091	106,018	167,385	371
Jan07	5,344	3,010	1,017	418	333	5,489	9,131	15,266	433
Feb07	6,602	2,443	851	316	255	5,631	8,526	13,956	447
Mar07	8,159	3,353	1,299	566	334	5,553	9,949	14,244	293
Apr07	7,803	3,929	1,271	424	400	5,501	8,786	13,624	79
May07	8,606	3,684	2,013	1,116	338	5,486	8,845	13,807	64
Jun07	7,327	3,306	1,631	714	418	5,305	8,327	13,042	147
Jul07	5,938	3,050	1,391	548	288	5,307	9,238	13,393	254
Aug07	5,494	3,552	1,396	390	431	5,427	9,950	13,765	234
Sep07	4,371	4,366	1,196	493	274	5,453	9,257	12,871	226
Oct07	4,544	3,236	1,533	732	258	5,522	9,581	13,482	222
Nov07	4,193	2,704	1,178	326	415	5,614	9,278	13,256	229
Dec07	3,049	1,846	953	452	181	5,541	8,813	14,888	263
Avg./Sum	71,430	38,477	15,730	6,495	3,925	65,829	109,681	165,594	241
Jan08	4,021	2,320	1,044	407	330	5,626	9,118	14,843	347
Feb08	4,601	1,988	1,367	589	303	5,633	8,452	13,506	424
Mar08	5,360	4,224	1,012	332	244	5,575	9,302	13,773	314
Apr08	5,996	2,260	1,338	447	267	5,809	8,582	12,981	70
May08	5,958	2,762	1,416	523	381	6,104	8,414	13,009	52
Jun08	6,030	1,649	1,260	433	409	6,248	8,672	12,329	136
Jul08	5,754	2,184	1,180	441	296	6,448	9,546	12,999	250
Aug08	5,031	1,712	929	315	240	6,131	9,615	12,887	259
Sep09	5,182	1,881	1,053	275	352	6,429	8,999	12,297	241
Oct08	3,840	1,885	861	319	276	5,984	9,232	12,833	263
Nov08	2,744	1,431	1,005	451	285	5,495	9,316	12,419	237
Dec08	1,882	1,099	675	186	272	4,931	9,438	13,787	236
Avg./Sum	56,399	25,395	13,141	4,719	3,657	70,411	108,685	157,664	236
Jan09	2,195	930	496	161	220	4,872	9,261	14,217	263
Feb09	3,231	658	453	177	155	4,862	8,807	12,584	238
Mar09	4,115	702	709	241	299	4,681	9,354	13,214	108
Apr09	5,251	873	791	328	242	4,427	8,838	12,280	41
May09	6,235	1,063	1,153	634	243	4,458	8,743	12,135	32
Jun09	7,368	1,591	942	450	**252**	4,479	8,957	11,668	59
Jul09	6,552	**1,624**	829	281	309	**4,314**	9,609	12,048	85
Aug09	5,407	**1,694**	859	265	381	**4,495**	9,570	11,890	97
Sep09	5,258	2,062	969	327	386	**4,538**			111
Oct09	4,978	**2,329**	**1,525**	602	**605**	**4,562**			129
Nov09	4,154	**2,319**	**1,085**	**309**	**524**				**152**
Dec09	**3,042**	**1,899**							**227**
Avg./Sum	**57,786**	**17,744**							**128**

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	Unemployment Rate* (%)	Employed* (000's)	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries*	Wages and Salaries* ($000,000)	Average Weekly Earnings* ($)	Retail Trade* ($000,000)	Food/Drinking Places Receipts ($000,000)	New Motor Vehicle Sales* (#)	Wholesale Trade* ($000,000)
1999	5.7	1,544	35,962	49,264	644.01	29,454	3,655	160,838	29,717
2000	5.0	1,584	27,391	54,624	663.00	31,738	4,035	175,545	33,255
2001	4.6	1,631	25,559	61,355	676.07	34,560	4,471	187,862	35,571
2002	5.3	1,671	32,489	63,400	693.35	37,663	4,610	204,805	36,987
2003	5.1	1,717	33,931	66,266	717.26	39,318	4,727	194,451	39,967
2004	4.6	1,758	28,869	72,707	741.06	43,372	5,030	196,153	44,966
2005	3.9	1,785	22,378	82,878	783.90	48,493	5,450	222,361	52,266
Jan06	3.6	1,809	19,690	7,486	810.64	4,424	491	19,953	4,756
Feb06	3.1	1,835	19,630	7,593	822.55	4,500	486	20,906	4,862
Mar06	3.4	1,842	19,160	7,676	811.93	4,436	490	19,884	4,918
Apr06	3.6	1,847	18,760	7,791	822.06	4,644	493	20,541	4,933
May06	3.3	1,879	18,740	7,859	826.06	4,577	498	20,371	4,901
Jun06	3.6	1,870	18,840	7,940	809.99	4,634	496	19,927	4,935
Jul06	3.6	1,873	17,180	8,028	818.97	4,720	503	20,802	4,889
Aug06	4.1	1,883	20,830	8,097	818.42	4,812	504	22,246	4,924
Sep06	3.4	1,887	18,890	8,165	827.90	4,734	513	20,704	4,918
Oct06	3.0	1,903	18,460	8,233	843.42	4,805	514	21,515	4,876
Nov06	3.2	1,918	17,910	8,358	822.48	4,794	521	19,924	4,955
Dec06	3.3	1,911	17,920	8,453	845.74	4,863	544	21,957	5,109
Avg./Sum	3.4	1,871	18,834	95,678	823.35	55,942	6,051	248,730	58,977
Jan07	3.4	1,931	16,960	8,559	855.18	4,938	535	21,397	5,134
Feb07	3.5	1,938	17,020	8,602	854.35	4,959	523	21,349	5,135
Mar07	3.6	1,936	16,810	8,645	851.10	5,078	549	22,496	5,302
Apr07	3.5	1,949	16,950	8,692	857.90	5,054	528	21,618	4,981
May07	3.7	1,945	17,390	8,745	850.02	5,147	522	21,715	4,903
Jun07	3.8	1,956	16,980	8,877	875.04	5,168	527	21,953	5,141
Jul07	3.3	1,971	18,890	8,936	879.13	5,157	528	21,804	5,179
Aug07	3.5	1,971	17,850	8,965	863.20	5,104	534	22,179	5,194
Sep07	3.6	1,976	16,100	9,047	889.66	5,075	545	20,408	5,199
Oct07	3.4	1,972	15,860	9,136	898.93	5,080	546	20,466	5,240
Nov07	3.7	1,972	15,610	9,193	887.01	5,189	539	20,453	5,266
Dec07	3.1	1,995	15,640	9,257	891.19	5,209	533	21,212	5,266
Avg./Sum	3.5	1,959	16,838	106,654	871.06	61,156	6,410	257,050	61,939
Jan08	3.3	1,999	15,970	9,332	885.77	5,178	529	22,154	5,196
Feb08	3.6	1,995	15,820	9,415	924.01	5,160	531	21,510	5,382
Mar08	3.4	2,001	16,060	9,492	919.75	5,195	538	21,684	5,476
Apr08	3.3	2,007	16,520	9,521	917.31	5,102	548	19,745	5,589
May08	3.6	2,008	16,950	9,556	899.57	5,113	551	20,508	5,811
Jun08	3.3	2,016	16,800	9,650	923.07	5,149	565	20,419	5,659
Jul08	3.7	2,012	18,770	9,666	906.46	5,106	557	19,679	5,826
Aug08	3.5	2,007	17,590	9,769	923.47	5,094	560	19,115	6,124
Sep09	3.8	2,022	17,060	9,854	946.70	5,144	561	19,935	5,985
Oct08	3.7	2,035	18,240	9,878	930.75	5,081	558	19,898	6,092
Nov08	3.5	2,032	20,110	9,914	954.05	4,943	557	18,233	5,887
Dec08	4.2	2,023	22,530	9,928	947.61	4,708	540	15,533	5,638
Avg./Sum	3.6	2,013	17,702	115,975	923.21	60,975	6,596	238,413	68,664
Jan09	4.4	2,026	25,680	**9,838**	947.96	4,730	550	16,666	5,494
Feb09	5.4	2,002	34,180	**9,809**	965.26	4,677	553	14,714	5,240
Mar09	5.8	1,987	44,010	**9,782**	964.08	4,597	550	14,830	5,070
Apr09	6.0	1,993	50,940	**9,734**	936.30	4,620	549	15,270	4,994
May09	6.6	1,994	56,630	**9,794**	943.78	4,628	556	14,939	4,818
Jun09	6.8	1,990	62,860	**9,740**	954.57	4,672	555	15,394	4,797
Jul09	7.2	1,986	62,310	**9,693**	943.38	**4,629**	**560**	15,864	**4,778**
Aug09	7.4	1,979	**58,030**	**9,608**	934.48	**4,621**	**553**	**15,660**	**4,707**
Sep09	7.1	1,982	**71,710**	**9,661**	**952.64**	**4,626**	**557**	**16,056**	**4,701**
Oct09	7.5	1,967	**74,640**		**953.69**	**4,631**	**553**	**16,572**	**4,660**
Nov09	7.4	1,980						**15,191**	
Dec09	**6.7**	**1,993**							
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1998	43,383	21,725	5,552	2,486	1,167	32,840	94,676	172,644	218
1999	42,684	20,216	4,802	1,917	1,124	37,096	89,066	175,279	210
2000	43,311	21,506	5,296	2,287	1,249	44,430	89,136	176,146	296
2001	48,989	24,457	5,912	2,309	1,462	45,480	89,365	174,094	298
2002	51,042	32,729	6,847	2,714	1,797	45,404	89,885	170,828	231
2003	51,334	32,066	6,667	2,819	1,767	48,072	95,311	166,623	314
2004	57,460	32,188	7,327	2,857	2,028	53,299	101,007	167,676	331
2005	65,866	34,301	10,202	3,921	2,904	60,435	98,879	168,327	381
Jan06	4,686	2,318	644	254	209	5,536	9,260	14,952	495
Feb06	5,933	3,045	797	337	218	5,387	7,967	13,554	531
Mar06	7,189	3,526	1,248	594	281	5,460	8,231	14,653	540
Apr06	7,182	3,463	1,014	396	270	5,378	8,828	13,804	201
May06	8,300	3,880	1,189	412	309	5,272	8,397	13,958	184
Jun06	7,786	4,276	1,429	458	320	5,322	7,966	13,002	314
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Aug06	6,378	3,475	1,334	516	367	5,637	9,338	13,972	391
Sep06	5,624	3,338	1,242	564	312	5,413	8,917	13,209	318
Oct06	5,583	2,801	1,395	516	355	5,331	9,696	14,218	325
Nov06	5,252	4,189	1,269	495	390	5,312	9,239	13,660	340
Dec06	4,030	2,775	1,105	442	257	5,435	9,270	14,599	380
Avg./Sum	74,350	40,882	13,876	5,480	3,541	65,091	106,018	167,385	371
Jan07	5,344	3,010	1,017	418	333	5,489	9,131	15,266	433
Feb07	6,602	2,443	851	316	255	5,631	8,526	13,956	447
Mar07	8,159	3,353	1,299	566	334	5,553	9,949	14,244	293
Apr07	7,803	3,929	1,271	424	400	5,501	8,786	13,624	79
May07	8,606	3,684	2,013	1,116	338	5,486	8,845	13,807	64
Jun07	7,327	3,306	1,631	714	418	5,305	8,327	13,042	147
Jul07	5,938	3,050	1,391	548	288	5,307	9,238	13,39[illegible]	254
Aug07	5,494	3,552	1,396	390	431	5,427	9,950	13,78[illegible]	234
Sep07	4,371	4,366	1,196	493	274	5,453	9,257	12,87[illegible]	226
Oct07	4,544	3,236	1,533	732	258	5,522	9,581	13,482	222
Nov07	4,193	2,704	1,178	326	415	5,614	9,278	13,256	229
Dec07	3,049	1,846	953	452	181	5,541	8,813	14,888	263
Avg./Sum	71,430	38,477	15,730	6,495	3,925	65,829	109,681	165,594	241
Jan08	4,021	2,320	1,044	407	330	5,626	9,118	14,843	347
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Apr08	5,996	2,260	1,338	447	267	5,809	8,582	12,981	70
May08	5,958	2,762	1,416	523	381	6,104	8,414	13,009	52
Jun08	6,030	1,649	1,260	433	409	6,248	8,672	12,329	136
Jul08	5,754	2,184	1,180	441	296	6,448	9,546	12,999	250
Aug08	5,031	1,712	929	315	240	6,131	9,615	12,887	259
Sep09	5,182	1,881	1,053	275	352	6,429	8,999	12,297	241
Oct08	3,840	1,885	861	319	276	5,984	9,232	12,833	263
Nov08	2,744	1,431	1,005	451	285	5,495	9,316	12,419	237
Dec08	1,882	1,099	675	186	272	4,931	9,438	13,787	236
Avg./Sum	56,399	25,395	13,141	4,719	3,657	70,411	108,685	157,664	236
Jan09	2,195	930	496	161	220	4,872	9,261	14,217	263
Feb09	3,231	658	453	177	155	4,862	8,807	12,584	238
Mar09	4,115	702	709	241	299	4,681	9,354	13,214	108
Apr09	5,251	873	791	328	242	4,427	8,838	12,280	41
May09	6,235	1,063	1,153	634	243	4,458	8,743	12,135	32
Jun09	7,368	1,591	942	450	**252**	4,479	8,957	11,668	59
Jul09	6,552	**1,624**	829	281	309	**4,314**	9,609	12,048	85
Aug09	5,407	**1,694**	859	265	381	**4,495**	9,570	11,890	97
Sep09	5,258	2,062	969	327	386	**4,538**			111
Oct09	4,978	**2,329**	**1,525**	602	**605**	**4,562**			129
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	WTI Crude (US$/barrel)	Gas (C$/GJ)	Exports ($000,000)	Business (#)	Consumer (#)	Alberta (#)	Non-Alberta (#)	Travellers (#, direct entries)**
1999	19.24	2.35	34,717	1,553	8,782	22,762	1,786	874,620
2000	30.20	4.27	55,495	1,709	8,847	27,001	1,970	880,729
2001	25.90	5.12	57,061	1,688	8,121	27,907	1,955	845,325
2002	26.09	3.68	48,931	1,998	8,234	28,141	2,001	826,384
2003	31.04	5.81	57,044	1,636	9,160	30,680	1,891	806,307
2004	41.40	5.98	63,688	1,565	8,719	32,276	2,041	913,320
2005	56.56	7.87	**76,280**	1,194	7,542	38,038	2,284	906,714
Jan06	65.54	9.52	7,382	93	508	3,794	224	41,621
Feb06	62.01	7.38	6,325	59	442	3,505	195	41,959
Mar06	62.97	6.47	6,374	61	521	4,081	250	54,273
Apr06	70.16	6.18	5,826	73	481	3,654	176	45,451
May06	70.96	5.71	6,211	76	490	4,236	232	72,583
Jun06	70.97	5.29	6,312	68	472	4,081	214	115,760
Jul06	74.46	5.22	6,535	33	376	3,370	214	142,737
Aug06	73.08	5.84	6,734	46	429	3,813	226	117,071
Sep06	63.76	5.12	6,164	36	412	3,876	226	83,324
Oct06	59.14	4.40	6,228	53	424	3,923	252	56,750
Nov06	59.47	6.51	6,757	30	388	3,708	270	41,909
Dec06	62.08	7.05	6,896	37	309	3,486	201	68,185
Avg./Sum	66.22	6.22	77,744	666	5,248	45,527	2,680	881,623
Jan07	54.35	6.27	7,135	35	438	4,146	211	45,899
Feb07	59.39	6.82	6,396	58	365	3,582	244	48,882
Mar07	60.74	6.92	6,975	46	423	4,374	273	58,061
Apr07	64.04	6.74	6,485	47	390	3,945	220	51,057
May07	63.53	6.61	6,249	51	431	4,461	276	76,928
Jun07	67.53	6.21	7,168	29	435	4,009	271	122,878
Jul07	74.30	5.43	6,630	39	359	3,570	236	157,136
Aug07	72.36	4.81	6,994	32	415	3,629	223	129,785
Sep07	79.63	4.42	6,280	34	361	3,455	209	94,685
Oct07	85.66	4.96	6,798	22	420	3,885	258	60,811
Nov07	94.63	5.54	7,087	29	437	3,622	268	43,170
Dec07	91.74	5.85	7,677	27	294	3,242	182	64,645
Avg./Sum	72.32	5.68	81,873	449	4,768	45,920	2,871	953,937
Jan08	92.93	6.19	8,571	33	433	4,008	253	47,123
Feb08	95.35	6.72	8,282	39	409	3,362	263	49,943
Mar08	105.32	7.52	8,785	38	476	3,650	214	61,154
Apr08	112.46	8.11	9,194	37	458	3,955	244	51,448
May08	125.46	8.92	9,212	28	455	3,616	270	76,685
Jun08	134.04	9.81	9,305	55	505	3,524	266	121,766
Jul08	133.93	9.84	11,223	37	457	3,405	244	154,122
Aug08	116.69	7.35	10,206	38	514	2,999	199	128,289
Sep08	103.40	6.28	9,573	32	526	3,450	239	90,442
Oct08	76.72	6.27	9,812	35	632	3,374	229	59,701
Nov08	57.61	6.25	8,530	45	595	2,609	203	47,030
Dec08	42.04	6.36	7,479	30	606	2,756	183	66,545
Avg./Sum	99.66	7.47	109,933	447	6,066	40,708	2,807	954,248
Jan09	41.92	5.77	**6,398**	39	696	2,926	205	47,573
Feb09	39.21	4.66	**5,522**	44	706	2,354	213	48,459
Mar09	48.06	4.01	**5,820**	31	951	2,680	199	53,224
Apr09	49.95	3.41	**5,172**	24	838	2,760	194	52,360
May09	59.21	3.13	**4,569**	34	847	2,509	191	72,054
Jun09	69.70	2.97	**5,941**	33	1,021	2,978	212	113,758
Jul09	64.29	2.94	**6,301**	35	872	2,682	178	148,990
Aug09	71.14	2.72	**5,856**	33	882	2,494	169	112,877
Sep09	69.47	2.48	**5,689**	35	1,163	2,827	206	84,836
Oct09	76.08	3.40	**5,896**	**33**	**690**	2,817	228	**49,465**
Nov09	78.15	**3.77**	**5,667**			2,892	191	
Dec09	**74.60**					**2,833**	**205**	
Avg./Sum	**61.82**					**32,752**	**2,391**	

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**Excluding same day travel.

Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)					Exchange Rates		Prime Rates	
	Alberta	Shelter	Energy	Edmonton	Calgary	(Cdn$/US$)	(Cdn$/EURO)	Canada (%)	U.S. (%)
1999	91.4	91.3	84.5	92.1	90.8	1.4857	1.5853	6.44	8.02
2000	94.5	96.9	102.0	95.1	94.1	1.4854	1.3704	7.27	9.27
2001	96.7	99.3	102.2	97.2	96.4	1.5489	1.3872	5.81	6.79
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.5706	1.4838	4.21	4.67
2003	104.4	108.1	119.2	105.3	103.5	1.4010	1.5823	4.69	4.13
2004	105.9	109.8	123.8	106.4	105.3	1.3013	1.6169	4.00	4.38
2005	108.1	113.5	136.2	109.6	107.4	1.2114	1.5085	4.42	6.23
Jan06	110.4	120.8	148.4	110.6	109.9	1.1573	1.4032	5.25	7.25
Feb06	109.7	117.7	132.8	110.1	108.9	1.1489	1.3716	5.25	7.50
Mar06	110.3	118.0	135.9	110.6	109.5	1.1574	1.3921	5.50	7.75
Apr06	111.4	120.6	148.8	111.4	110.9	1.1438	1.4046	5.75	7.75
May06	112.2	121.9	149.7	112.1	112.0	1.1095	1.4159	6.00	8.00
Jun06	111.8	120.4	136.7	111.6	111.7	1.1138	1.4101	6.00	8.00
Jul06	113.4	126.1	154.3	112.8	113.6	1.1292	1.4318	6.00	8.25
Aug06	113.9	126.3	154.1	113.0	114.4	1.1183	1.4321	6.00	8.25
Sep06	114.1	131.2	145.6	113.2	114.7	1.1162	1.4199	6.00	8.25
Oct06	113.0	129.7	131.0	112.2	113.5	1.1286	1.4239	6.00	8.25
Nov06	113.7	131.8	135.2	113.0	114.2	1.1362	1.4650	6.00	8.25
Dec06	114.2	133.6	139.3	113.5	114.7	1.1530	1.5230	6.00	8.25
Avg./Sum	112.3	124.8	142.7	112.0	112.3	1.1343	1.4244	5.81	7.98
Jan07	114.7	134.3	141.1	113.9	115.0	1.1759	1.5275	6.00	8.25
Feb07	115.0	133.8	137.4	114.2	115.6	1.1707	1.5315	6.00	8.25
Mar07	116.4	135.8	149.8	115.7	116.7	1.1682	1.5473	6.00	8.25
Apr07	117.5	138.0	157.2	117.0	117.6	1.1343	1.5333	6.00	8.25
May07	117.8	135.9	152.8	117.1	117.6	1.0949	1.4801	6.00	8.25
Jun07	118.8	140.0	159.2	118.6	118.6	1.0652	1.4295	6.00	8.25
Jul07	119.1	140.6	160.8	118.8	119.1	1.0503	1.4417	6.25	8.25
Aug07	119.3	143.8	161.7	119.1	119.3	1.0582	1.4410	6.25	8.25
Sep07	119.4	143.1	158.3	119.1	119.3	1.0254	1.4273	6.25	7.75
Oct07	118.6	144.5	150.8	118.3	118.7	0.9752	1.3882	6.25	7.50
Nov07	119.1	145.3	154.1	118.8	118.6	0.9671	1.4202	6.25	7.50
Dec07	118.9	145.4	153.0	118.6	119.0	1.0030	1.4607	6.00	7.25
Avg./Sum	117.9	116.9	153.0	117.4	117.9	1.0740	1.4690	6.10	8.00
Jan08	118.8	146.0	155.3	118.5	118.9	1.0111	1.4877	5.75	6.00
Feb08	119.0	146.4	155.2	118.7	119.1	0.9991	1.4738	5.75	6.00
Mar08	119.8	147.9	162.6	119.5	120.0	1.0020	1.5556	5.25	5.25
Apr08	121.3	150.9	176.7	121.2	121.2	1.0139	1.5972	4.75	5.25
May08	122.2	151.6	184.6	121.9	122.3	0.9994	1.5555	4.75	5.00
Jun08	124.0	156.0	204.6	123.7	123.9	1.0167	1.5821	4.75	5.00
Jul08	123.3	152.8	194.5	123.6	123.0	1.0127	1.5955	4.75	5.00
Aug08	124.1	156.9	201.6	123.6	124.4	1.0543	1.5734	4.75	5.00
Sep09	122.8	150.0	179.7	122.3	123.1	1.0583	1.5170	4.75	5.00
Oct08	121.5	149.7	161.3	121.3	121.8	1.1848	1.5688	4.00	4.50
Nov08	121.6	151.6	148.7	121.4	122.0	1.2182	1.5529	4.00	4.00
Dec08	121.2	153.0	142.7	121.0	121.8	1.2345	1.6635	3.50	3.25
Avg./Sum	121.6	116.9	172.3	121.4	121.8	1.0671	1.5603	4.73	4.94
Jan09	120.2	150.3	135.7	120.2	120.7	1.2263	1.6230	3.00	3.25
Feb09	121.5	151.8	146.5	121.5	121.9	1.2451	1.5929	3.00	3.25
Mar09	120.9	148.6	137.4	120.9	121.3	1.2645	1.7910	2.50	3.25
Apr09	120.4	146.3	131.2	120.5	120.8	1.2240	1.8010	2.25	3.25
May09	121.4	145.8	133.5	121.6	121.5	1.1509	1.7767	2.25	3.25
Jun09	122.0	146.1	137.4	122.2	122.1	1.1265	1.5785	2.25	3.25
Jul09	121.5	146.1	137.4	121.8	121.6	1.1223	1.5820	2.25	3.25
Aug09	122.0	147.4	143.9	122.1	122.1	1.0882	1.5517	2.25	3.25
Sep09	121.5	145.2	136.2	121.7	121.6	1.0818	1.5764	2.25	3.25
Oct09	121.6	145.4	133.1	121.8	121.9	1.0549	1.5632	2.25	3.25
Nov09	**122.6**	**147.9**	**144.5**	**122.7**	**122.7**	1.0596	1.5799	2.25	3.25
Dec09						**1.0544**	**1.5380**	**2.25**	**3.25**
Avg./Sum						**1.1415**	**1.6295**	**2.40**	**3.25**

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